

Garrison Aide Links Dr. King, Kennedy Slayings in L.B. Talk

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An attempt to link the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, his brother Robert and Martin Luther King was made by an investigator for New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison Monday night during a Long Beach appearance.

Steve Jaffe, special investigator for the Louisiana district attorney — conducting his own probe

into the Kennedy assassination — said although he doubts Garrison's cases will ever come to court, there is information which would rock the nation in the DA's files.

Jaffe was featured speaker at a meeting of the Long Beach Town Hall held in the Alamos Branch Library, 1836 E. Third St.

About 60 people, including Long Beach police intelligence officers, at-

tended the meeting. The officers were checking a reported threat against the life of Rev. Ray Broshears of the Church of God of Light, which sponsored the Town Hall meeting.

Jaffe, who spoke for about 40 minutes, rehearsed the assassination photos, testimonies, exhibits and critics, and displayed a number of photos showing Lee Harvey Oswald, assassin of the president, and the Dallas street

scenes at the time Kennedy was slain.

In addition, Jaffe discussed the 36 or 38 witnesses who were in some way linked to the assassination, and who have since died or have been killed under what he called "mysterious circumstances."

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AMONG THOSE touched on was Bill Hunter, 35-year-old Independent, Press-Telegram police reporter who was killed April 23, 1964 in Long Beach police headquarters.

When Hunter's death — he was killed by a bullet from the service revolver of one of two plainclothes officers in the police pressroom — was mentioned, Broshears told the group he had been warned "that the Long Beach Police Department didn't want the Hunter subject to come up."

Broshears later said a police officer had called him and said the request "was all in jest."

Appearing on the program with Jaffe and Broshears were Stan Bohrmann, former radio-television personality, who told the group he left his job last Wednesday in a protest against censorship, and 19-year-old Steven J. Burton of Los Angeles, who is national chairman for the Citizens Committee of Inquiry into the assassination.

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IN ADDITION to the efforts to link the two Kennedy assassinations and the slaying of Dr. King, mention was made of a

possible connection to the deaths of Medger Evers, murdered civil rights leader, and others. However, there was no effort to document or substantiate the statements, other than an impassioned plea by young Burton for a "brand new congressional probe into the assassinations."

Jaffe said Garrison's probe, partially financed by public funds, is also being pushed by money from a private corporation which was set up to provide the necessary financial backing.

He said he not only feels Garrison's cases will never come to court, but added he thinks the federal government will clamp a lid on the probe to halt it entirely.

During a question-and-answer session which followed the talks, several people questioned Jaffe about Garrison's probe and the validity of some statements attributed to the New Orleans district attorney.

Broshears, who volunteered the information that he had appeared as a witness in the Garrison investigation and given 17 hours of testimony, said he believed Garrison acknowledged he was on the right track.

Broshears, shortly after the assassination, was roommate with David Ferrie, one of the early witnesses turned up in Garrison's investigation. Ferrie is now dead.

Jaffe divulged no new information but said the files Garrison has compiled since he started his probe in 1966 contained information pointing to a group of assassins and almost eliminating Oswald as one of the actual participants in gunning down President Kennedy.